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Customer Number 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06753.0488

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Inventors: Tsuyoshi NAKAMURA ) Group Art Unit: 2836  
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Application No.: 10/025,491 ) Examiner: Stephen W. Jackson  
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Filed: December 26, 2001 ) Confirmation No. 7893  
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Allowed: June 4, 2004 )  
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For: RELAY, RELAY UNIT AND  
ELECTRICAL JUNCTION BOX

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**LETTER REQUESTING ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF  
PRIORITY DOCUMENTS**

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance and attached Notice of Allowability dated June 4, 2004.

We have attached a copy of the first pages of the Japanese Patent Applications, along with the date-stamped postcard, to corroborate that the certified copies of the Japanese Patent Applications were indeed filed with on February 27, 2002.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to issue a Supplemental Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37) acknowledging receipt of the claim for priority and the certified copies.

It is respectfully requested that the USPTO acknowledge receipt of the priority documents for this patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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2. CERTIFIED COPIES OF JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NOS. 2000-399551 filed December 27, 2000; 2001-117030 filed April 16, 2001 and 2001-346681 filed November 12, 2001
3. REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT
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CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Under the provisions of Section 119 of 35 U.S.C., applicants hereby claim the benefit of the filing dates of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2000-399551, filed December 27, 2000; 2001-117030, filed April 16, 2001 and 2001-346681, filed November 12, 2001, for the above identified United States Patent Application.

In support of applicants claim for priority, filed herewith is one certified copy of each of the above.

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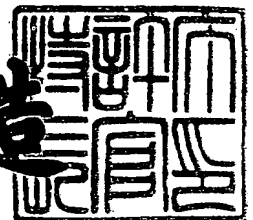
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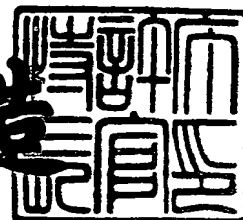
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